

**GOVERNMENT OF ANDHRA PRADESH
ABSTRACT**

Municipal Administration & Urban Development Department - Institutional arrangements between Public Health Engineering Department and Urban Local Bodies for implementation and maintenance of Water Supply and Sanitation in Urban Local Bodies -Orders - Issued.

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MUNICIPAL ADMINISTRATION AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT (K1) DEPARTMENT

G.O. Ms. No. 14

Dated: 07.01.2014.

Read the following:

1. From the Engineer-in-Chief (PH), Hyderabad Letter No. 127/T8/ PLG/ 2012, dated: 31-01-2013.
2. Govt. Memo.No.2551/K/2013, dated:16.03.2013.
3. From the Engineer-in-Chief (PH), Hyderabad Letter No.127/T8/ PLG/2012, dated:22.03.2013.
4. Govt. Memo.No.2551/K/2013, dated:18.04.2013.
5. From the Commissioner & Director of Municipal Administration, Hyderabad Letter No.8895/2013/H1, Dated:18.05.2013.

ORDER:

Providing safe drinking water supply and sanitation to the citizens is one of most important priorities of the State Government. Improvement in delivery of such services is required to meet the higher expectations of the public.

2. The Engineer-in-Chief (PH) in his letter 1st read above, has reported that Public Health Department in the State is entrusted with the responsibility and execution of water supply schemes, underground drainage storm water schemes and other major capital works and providing technical assistance to Urban Local Bodies(ULBs). However, the Operation and Maintenance of these schemes are vested with the respective urban local bodies. In case where water supply sources are far away from ULBs such decentralized planning lead to sub-optimal use of physical and financial resources of the Government/ULBs.

3. Therefore, the Engineer-in-Chief (PH) after examining the existing functioning on the proposal in other states, has proposed to set up for separate production and distribution of drinking water system on the same lines of Electricity Board which was divided into GENCO and TRANSCO.

4. The Engineer-in-Chief (PH), Hyderabad has further reported that construction, operation and maintenance of the water supply installations from source to ELSR/GLSR will be with Public Health Engineering Department (PHED) and PHED will supply bulk treated water to ULBs and ULBs have to distribute the water to the consumers through their distribution system. The following advantages are expected in the proposed set up:

- i. Accountability of water produced.
- ii. Proper maintenance of the system.
- iii. Less burden on ULB and hence service levels can be improved.
- iv. UFW can be assessed and minimized.
- v. Combined schemes can be taken up by PHED for more than one ULB resulting in conservation of energy and reduction in the capital cost as well as maintenance cost.

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5. The Commissioner and Director of Municipal Administration has reported that the subject of water supply and drainage as per constitutional and legislative provision pertains to ULBs.

6. Government after careful examination of the matter with reference to the reports of the ENC(PH) and C&DMA, hereby decide that the functions of bulk water supply up to Distribution Reservoirs of ULBs and subsequent distribution by the ULBs shall be bifurcated between PHED and ULBs in case of new schemes.

7. The ENC (PH) is therefore requested to prepare a holistic plan for drinking water requirements of all the urban local bodies, duly keeping the above functional arrangements in view and furnish the same to the Government for taking further necessary action in the matter.

(BY ORDER AND IN THE NAME OF THE GOVERNOR OF ANDHRA PRADESH)

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PRINCIPAL SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT(UD).**

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The Commissioner and Director of Municipal Administration, Andhra Pradesh, Hyderabad.

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The Commissioner, Greater Hyderabad Municipal Corporation,
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